

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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POST HARVEST LOSS

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR) has developed certain techniques to minimise the post harvest loss of crops, especially fruits and vegetables; and

(b) if so, the details thereof;

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) Yes, Sir.Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has developed techniques to minimize the post harvest loss of crops, especially fruits and vegetables.

(b) These techniques relate to proper harvesting,cleaning,grading,storage,drying and packaging.Some selected techniques to reduce post harvest losses in fruits and vegetables are given in Annexure-A.